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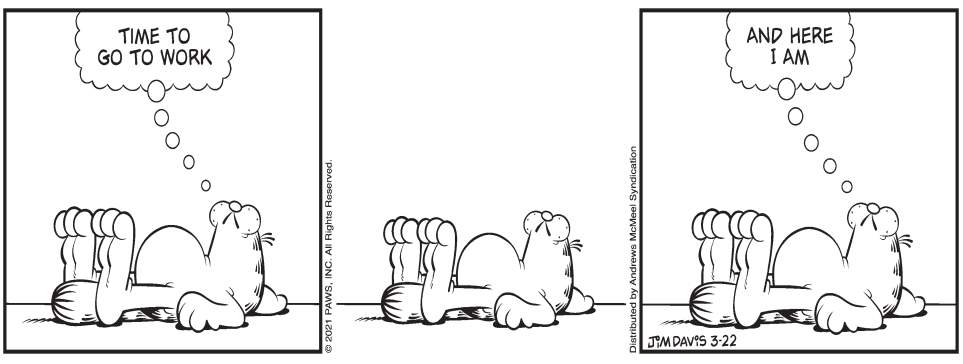

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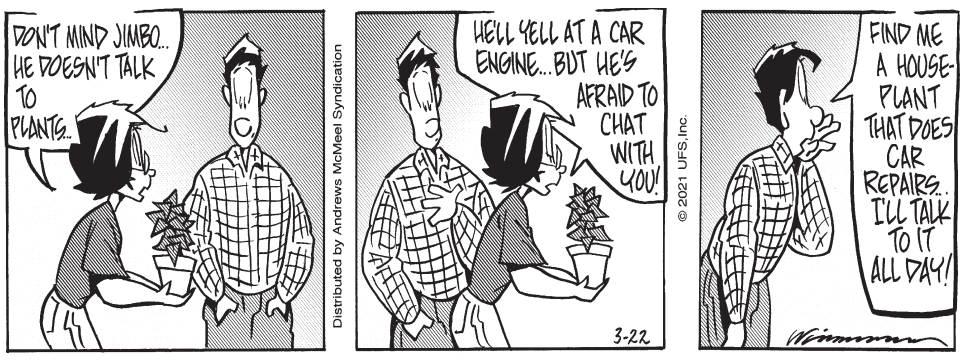

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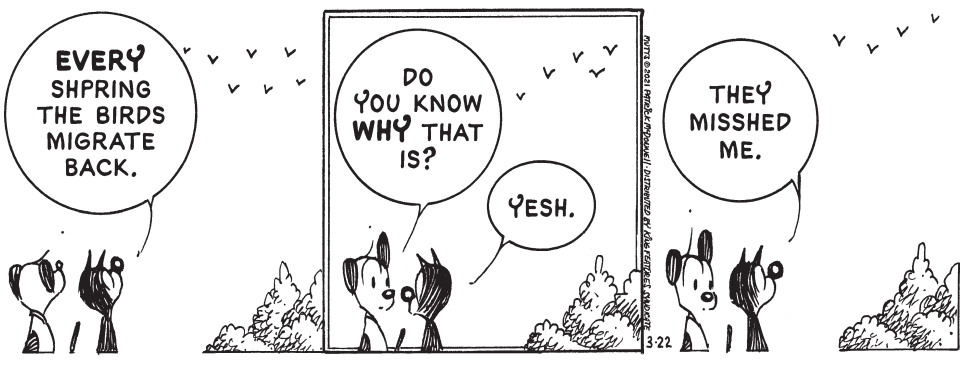

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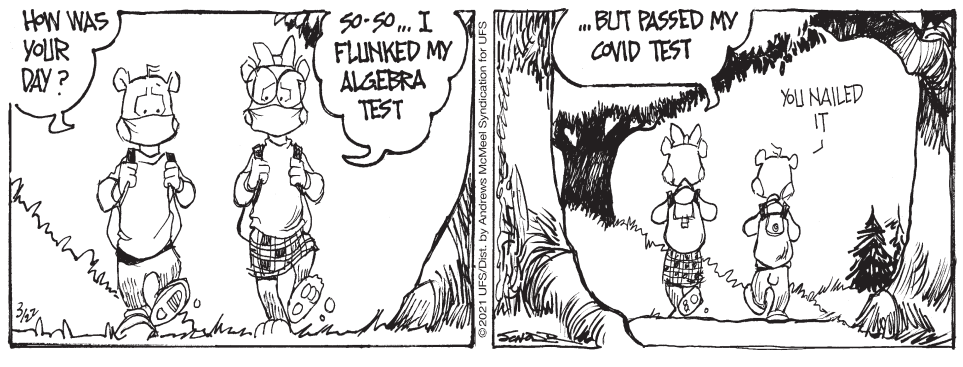

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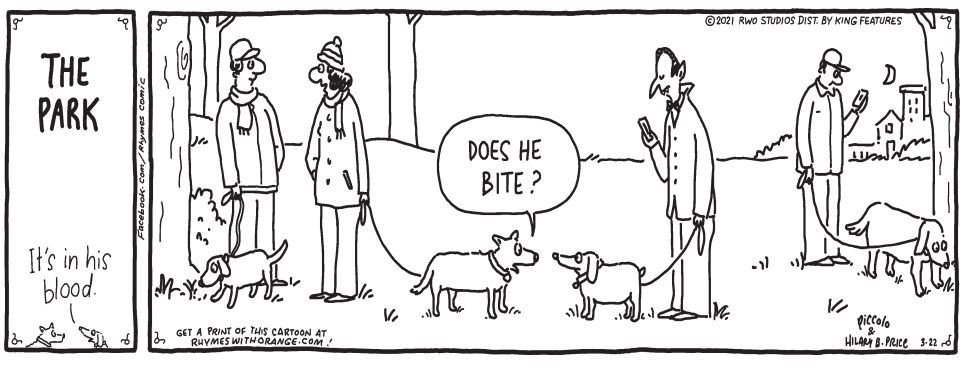

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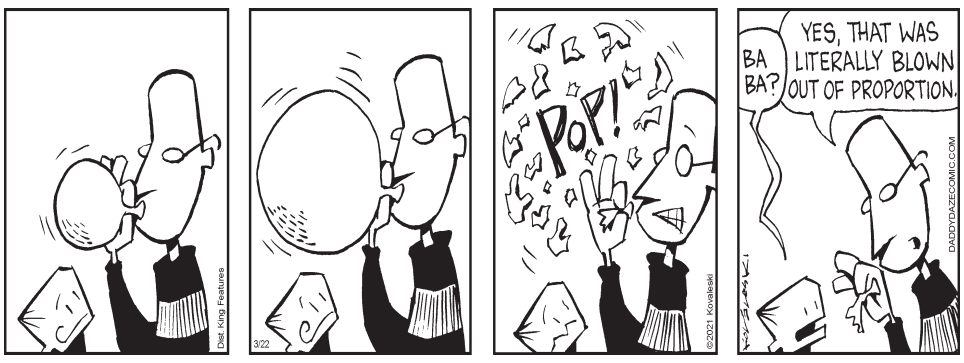

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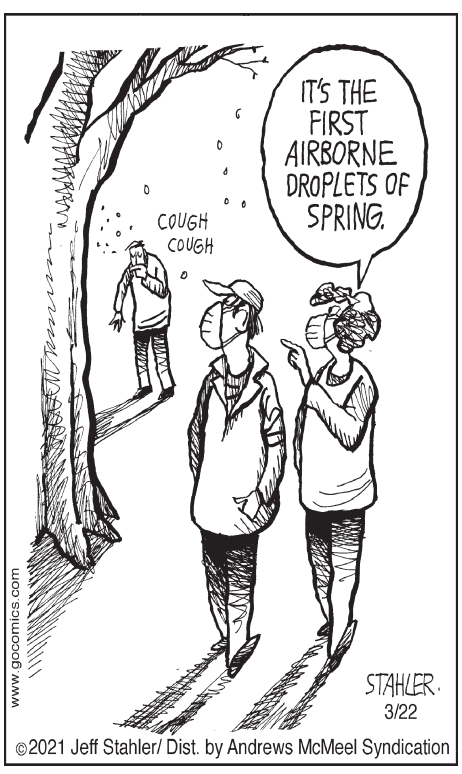
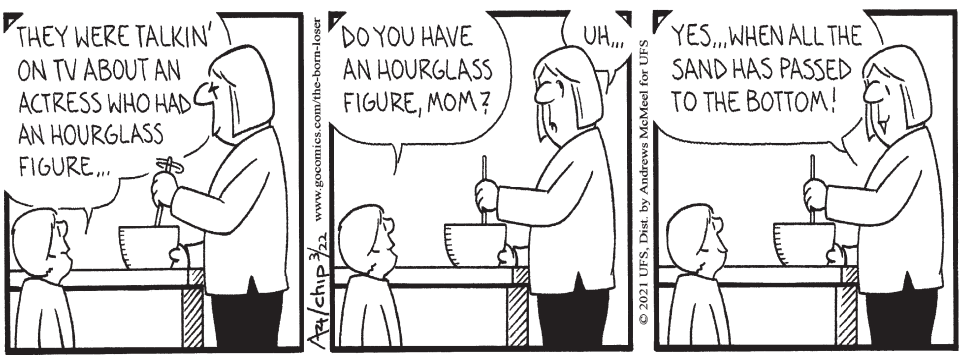


REALITY CHECK

THE BORN LOSER



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This edition of Shortcuts is sponsored by Howie Mandrill.

A Colorful Look At The Mandrill

This cartoon needs to quit monkeying around.

Mandrills are the largest species of monkey in the world. They are found in the tropical rainforests of West Africa. While most people won't remember their name, the mandrill's brightly colored face and rump make them one of the most recognizable species of animals in the world.

You Know The Drill

Wild mandrills have a life span of about 20 years, while mandrills in zoos have been known to live for more than 40 years.

Two of the main threats to wild mandrills are habitat destruction and hunting by humans.

Why are mandrills popular? They are colorful characters.

Monkey Business

In addition to their colorful faces and behinds, mandrills also have red spots on their ankles and wrists.

Mandrills are active during the day and sleep high in the treetops at night.

Male mandrills are usually twice the size of females.

Mandrills are very noisy.

Word Search

Can you find the hidden words? Search carefully because some words are backward or diagonal.

MANDRILL	COLOR	SPOTS
CANINES	TROOP	BLUE
MONKEY	TEETH	WILD
AFRICA	CHEEK	BOB
GROUP	TREES	RED
POUCH	SLEEP	EAT

L I L Y F L O W E R F U N
C H E E S E L U M E O W W
C H E A P A L I P D R I G
S H O R T B U R R U L E R
L O C R T Y S B O D Y E O
E R O H E E O S H G N O U
E O O K E B A C I R F A P
P L N R T E U S T O P S M
B O T H H O K I E U S E S
M C H I P O S E N I N A C

Monkey's Uncle

Can you help this baby mandrill reach his family?

I have a talent for being a funny guy.

Mandrills are omnivores that feed on fruit, grass, fungi, bark, seeds, eggs, insects, worms, snails, reptiles, amphibians and even small mammals. They have special cheek pouches that allow them to store food to eat later.

Females in a group work together to raise their young.

Mandrills live in groups called "troops" with about 20-40 members. These troops will often join other troops to form a huge group that may number in the hundreds.

Mandrills have extremely long canine teeth. Males may have canines as long as 5 cm (2 in.). They use their long canine teeth for defense, but will also bare their teeth as a gesture of friendship.

The color on a mandrill's rump brightens when they are excited or agitated.

What tools did the troop use to fix their tree? A man-drill and a monkey wrench.

How did the mandrill do on her test? She passed with flying colors.

What do you get when you give a mandrill a flashlight? Monkey shines.

For more information: "Monkeys" by Tom Jackson (Armadillo) or www.neprimateconservancy.org/mandrill.html

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